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(a) When applying for a new or expanded water appropriation permit or State financial assistance, public water systems shall include a description of best management practices currently in use, or to be implemented, for improving water conservation and the efficiency with which water is used, treated, stored, and transmitted. The application shall also include a schedule for the implementation of best management practices.

(b) Best management practices may include the following:

(1) Practices designed to measure the amount of water conveyed through the system's infrastructure to water users, such as universal metering;

(2) Audits of large-volume users;

(3) Reuse and recycling of water for nonpotable, nonresidential applications;

(4) Management of system pressure to reduce usage;

(5) Retrofit programs;

(6) Efficiency in landscape design and irrigation techniques;

(7) Wastewater reclamation and recycling programs;

(8) Fixture replacement programs;

(9) Water and wastewater pricing structures that encourage improved efficiency;

(10) Rebates and other financial incentives;

(11) An education program for users designed to promote increased efficiency and conservation; and

(12) Promotion or adoption of local water-use ordinances that encourage water conservation.

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